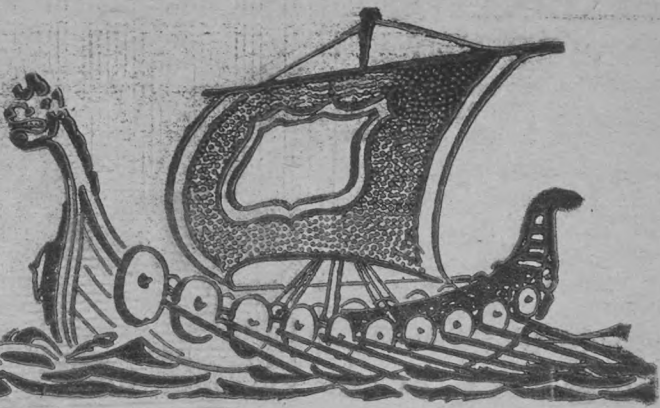




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IN MINNEAPOLIS

New Centre Opened To Public

This year, on April 25, the Sons of Norway's new Cultural and business Center located at 1455 West Lake Street, Minneapolis, Minn., was opened to the public. Supreme President, John K. Hagen, who dedicated the building to the "good of the order," declared that completion of the structure marked a red-letter day for Sons of Norway equalled only by the founding of the Society in 1855. The official dedication took place in August, at the convention of the Supreme Lodge Sons of Norway, which was attended by some members from Solgylt Lodge.

The three-storey building with basement has a steel frame, and is built of dark precast concrete panels, which gives it an unusual and distinctive appearance. Its three flags—the American, Canadian and Norwegian—which fly from staffs at the top front of the building are a reminder of the international aspects of Sons of Norway. The architects were Thorson and Thorshov of Minneapolis.

SONS OF NORWAY CENTRE

A lovely carpeted spiral stairway leads from the main floor and business section to the second storey, where the Sons of Norway Center occupies the entire floor. This provides ample room for the ultra-modern international headquarters of the fraternal society, as well as facilities for fraternal and cultural work in the twin-city area.

When guests enter the cultural centre from the second floor corridor, they enter first into the spacious and luxurious Leif Erikson lounge. Here are provided small tables and comfortable chairs (Norwegian imports) for the use of those who attend meetings, dinners and other activities.



SONS OF NORWAY CULTURAL and Business Centre on 1455 West Lake Street, Minneapolis — courtesy of Einar Hammer of Minneapolis.

For larger meetings the cultural center provides a combination Auditorium-Dinning room with an ultra modern kitchen. The china for the dining room is specially designed Stavanger Flint imported from Norway, as is the Norwegian stainless ware for use in all table settings. When smaller rooms are needed, the auditorium can be divided into two rooms by the use of accoridian walls. The auditorium also boasts a small stage.

LODGE ROOM

For lodge meetings there is the Norse Lodge room, tastefully furnished in Norwegian style. This room will also be available for the use of other groups. Where a small kitchen is needed for serving coffee and lunch in connection with lodge and other meetings, the employees' lounge in the Sons of Norway office has been located in such a way that it will be available when needed.

There is also a comfortable Board of Director's room and a beautiful North Star library. To the many books which are already in the library, additions will be made from time to time in order that a valuable Norwegian reference library may gradually be developed.

Finally there is the Eric the Red room, a private club-room for the use of Sons of Norway members and their guests. This too is furnished in traditional Norwegian style.

All the rooms in the Cultural Center, with the exception of the Auditorium-Dinning room, are furnished with attractive wall-to-wall carpeting. Special indirect lighting effects

also increase the attractiveness of the area.

The beautiful building now stands as a monument to the accomplishments of the Norwegian people in the United States and Canada.

PRACTICE BEGUN

The Vasa children have started practicing for the Christmas Concert with great enthusiasm.

Five new children were welcomed into the club at the last meeting.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, Nov. 11th, 3 p.m. in the I.O.O.F. Temple.

DONNA BUKVI WINNER

Sunray Junior Lodge held Leif Erickson Night on October 13 at the Masonic Temple. The young folks entertained with a variety of musical numbers, in a competitive spirit, under the direction of Mr. M. McInnis. A trophy in the form of a cup with the winner's name engraved on the band is the prize.

The program opened with O' Canada, followed by the story of Leif Erickson on his trip to America, as told by S. A. Sorenson. Harry Mjaatveit, master of ceremonies, introduced the musical numbers. A piano and accoridian duet was given by Dennis Bukvi; an accoridian solo by Doug McInnis; and a piano solo by Sharon Sorenson. A dance number, the Charleston, was done by Inez Hovde; an instrumental duet was given by Barry Martin and Leonard Chillbeck; accoridian solos were performed by Sandra Oyen and Carol Hill. A piano solo was given by Felix Hovde; a twist number was done by Inez Hovde and Sharon Sorenson; and John McInnis gave an accoridian solo. A piano selection captured the trophy for the year for Donna Bukvi.

Jimmy McDonald entertained with a solo number, and Mrs. Hovde sang a Norwegian number, followed by Jimmy singing it in English. Following the amateur hour Bingo

was played and a tasty lunch was served, with Mrs. Lydia Naversteth as hostess.

The young people were deeply disappointed at the sight of so many empty chairs where adults should have been sitting. Those who did not show up to support these youngsters should ask themselves if they had valid reasons for not being there.

Can You Remember These Old Autos?

Ever hear of an Abbot, a Crestmobile, a Kelly, or a Rabbit?

These forgotten names are but a few of the horseless carriages that chugged along Canada's roads more than 30 years ago.

Back in 1915—when 40 m.p.h. was fast, 50 m.p.h. was foolhardy, and 60 m.p.h. was for flying machines only—there were more than 180 different makes of cars in Canada.

You might have taken your wife for a spin in a Maxwell, a Moon or a Minneapolis, and it's a sure thing you wouldn't have had much competition for road or parking space.

Although the automobile industry has made great strides in 35 years, the variety of makes has been cut drastically.

Young Norwegian Accoridianist Achieves Dream In Alberta

When a Norwegian makes up his mind as a child that some day he will live in America even a world war and the rebuilding of Europe can't stop him. Olaf Sveen, accoridian composer and virtuoso, started to learn English in Norway in his early childhood after listening to many of the wonderful stories related to him by his grandfather, who lived most of his life in Colorado, USA.

On visits to Norway, Ole's grandfather would sit in front of the fireplace playing his beloved accoridian and relate stories of his adventures in the new world. Ole's grandfather who at over 70 was killed while mining near Denver, Colorado left a heritage to Ole for adventure in America and a great love for the accoridian.

Olaf, whose parents still live in Surnadal, Norway, studied the accoridian under Tore Aunebakk, one of Norway's great teachers. He finally made a visit to Canada and through the influence of relatives found himself in Saskatchewan for several years.

He has played and made personal appearances over most of the radio and T.V. stations in Saskatchewan. Some of them were CHAB, Moose Jaw, CKRM, Regina, CJNB, North Battleford, CFSL Weyburn and CKCK-TV Regina and CKOS-TV Yorkton. His previous radio experience was playing over Norsk Rikskringkasting, the Norwegian network.

Ole, who married a Saskatchewan girl, Eva Lischka, moved to Edmonton this summer with his five youngsters and loves it here. His one regret is that he didn't keep travelling another few hundred miles, twelve years earlier. The Alberta climate and scenic beauty is what he had always thought of as America.

Today he is teaching and com-

posing at the Roberts-Tait Music Studios. His Valhalla dance band has played many engagements in the last couple of months. He has several long play records available in the downtown stores. Like his good friend, Frankie Yankovic, the music world is his life and we hope he makes it here permanently in Edmonton.



Olaf Sveen, Accoridianist

Rides Requested

A meeting in honor of the Senior members of "Sons of Norway" will be held on November 9, at the Masonic Temple. President K. Amdam requests the aid of younger members to please help out on transportation, as many of the senior members do not now drive cars. Mrs. Mary Rikstad is hostess for the occasion.

IF I HAD ANY SAY SO (A Safe Driver's Creed)

I've seen a lot of country in my time behind the wheel
I've seen a lot of drivers, too — and here's the way I feel:
If I had any Say-so, then I'd set me down a code
A guy would have to learn by heart before he took the road.
I'd start it out: "I'll mind the law, and all the traffic signs;
I won't exceed the limit, and I won't cross double lines.
I'll slow way down with kids around — there's no predictin' kids.
I won't drive fast on rainy days — there's no predictin' skids.
I'll cut my speed when dusk begins, or driving after dark.
And times when I get tired, I'll get off the road and park.
No weaving in and out of lanes; no sudden stops or swerves.
No pulling out to pass a car on hilly roads or curves.
I'll always stay a ways behind the driver up ahead.
I'll never gun through yellow lights, and never jump the red.
I'll try to mind my manners, and I'll signal lefts and rights;
When other cars are coming by, I'll always dim my lights.
I'll never take a silly chance, or run a risk "for kicks" —
I'll keep in mind that alcohol and drivin' never mix."
And when the thing is written, and I'm back upon the road,
I'll drive as if the other guy has never read the code.

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NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

Initiations by the Drill Team were held at the October 6th meeting of Vasa Lodge Skandia in the I.O.O.F. Temple. The following members were welcomed into the Lodge. Mrs. Dianne Berquist, Miss Fay Johnson, Raymond Wold, Glen Hollen, Carl Johnson, Mrs. Marlene Johnson, Mrs. Hilder Johnson, Irveni Kurz, Mrs. Helen Kurz and Kenneth Petterson. Floyd Modin, Assistant District Supervisor, member of Buford Lodge No. 577, presented Honour Certificates to Pauline Johnson, Brian Johnson, Faye Johnson and Kenneth Petterson for their many activities in the Vasa Junior Group. Raul Nyroos, the Junior Leader, reported that three of the Junior group will partake in the United Nations Program on October 27th at the Alberta College Auditorium. Cultural Leader, Glen Eliasson, presented a very interesting and educational program from the Northern Provinces of Sweden, with commentary on notable highlights, and members took part in music and song. Miss Verna Kvarnberg showed movies from her Swedish Holiday. Swedish music was enjoyed by all while coffee was being served, and dancing followed to the music of Carl Elgstrand's orchestra. A very large crowd was on hand for the dance. Nomination will be held at the November 3rd meeting in the I.O.O.F. Temple at 7 p.m. A dance will follow the meeting, so please bring your friends for an enjoyable time.

Urn Purchased

The October Vasa Ladies Meeting was held in the home of Mrs. F. O. Simmons. The ladies wish to thank everyone who donated Nabob Coffee coupons, which have been used to purchase a second coffee urn. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. G. Rydman, 11247-65th Street on November 10th at 8 p.m.



Bride Wears Vasa Crown

Bouquets of gladioli, sweet peas and carnations decorated the altar of Buchanan United Church for the afternoon wedding ceremony Aug. 25 of Diane Van Lohuizen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Van Lohuizen and Gerald Edwin Olaf Bergquist, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edvin E. Bergquist, all of Edmonton. The groom and his parents are members of Vasa Lodge Skandia No. 549. The double ring ceremony was conducted by Rev. A. R. Schrag. Mr. Van Lohuizen gave his daughter in marriage. White nylon organza over taffeta fashioned the bride's waltz-length gown. The bodice featured a round neckline, cap sleeves and a princess waistline. She wore elbow-length, lily-point mittens and carried a cascade bouquet of American Beauty Roses. Her shoulder-length veil of silk illusion was held by the Vasa Bridal Crown set in lily of the valley. She wore a single strand of pearls, gift of the groom. The groom's sister, Miss Anna Bergquist, was maid of honor, and flower girl was Miss Patricia Van Lohuizen, niece of the bride. A dress of pastel yellow crystal charm with matching headpiece was worn by the bridesmaid, who carried yellow and white carnations and baby roses. The flower girl's frock was of mauve silk organza. She wore a headpiece of mauve and white flowers, and carried a bouquet of the same blossoms. Mr. Wayne Harvey attended the groom as best man and ushers were Mr. Joseph Dann and Mr. Edward Kardash. At the reception in the Corona Hotel Rev. A. R. Schrag said grace, Mr. K. B. E. Nielsen was toastmaster and Mr. Frederick Kowal proposed the toast to the bride. Messages of congratulation were received from relatives in Holland and Sweden. For motoring to Jasper, Banff and British Columbia, the bride chose a navy blue suit with white accessories. Mr. and Mrs. Bergquist will make their home in Edmonton.

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Only 167 Norwegians emigrated to Canada last year, as compared with 353 in 1960, 371 in 1959, 500 in 1958, and 1,317 in 1957.

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By S. A. Sorenson

SUCCESS OF THE CHRISTMAS FLIGHT NOW ASSURED

For all the lucky people who are planning to spend Christmas in Scandinavia, it will be good news that the Christmas Flight is now assured. Mr. H. A. Hansen, chairman of the Christmas Flight Committee, said he had 82 out of 88 passengers booked today (October 23). It will leave Edmonton International Airport on December 12th for Copenhagen. For further information, contact Mr. H. A. Hansen, 12921 - 109 Avenue, telephone GL 5-3070; Mr. H. Kristensen, 11420 Jasper Avenue, telephone 488-6223 or 489-0958; Mr. H. Markstrom, 10535 Lauderdale Road, telephone 474-4718.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS HOLD REGULAR MEETING - OCTOBER 10

Chairman K. L. Svidal rushed through a heavy agenda of business in four hours. Some of the major decisions reached were:

- All members of a family up to 18 years of age can qualify for a Chartered Flight to Scandinavia if one parent holds a fully-paid share in the Scandinavian Centre Association. As usual, children two and under travel free.
- SIG JOHNSON was selected as Chairman of Annual Scandinavian Night TICKET SALES COMMITTEE. Mark your calendar now to attend this big Scandinavian Night on Saturday, January 26, 1963, at the Jubilee Auditorium.
- Thirteen share applications were read and accepted. All paid in cash.
- Harold Markstrom reported that the Planning Committee had made a written offer to purchase three acres at 125 Avenue and 142 Street.
- P. N. Christensen said the financial position of the Scandinavian Centre News had improved, but it was still not paying its own way. The meeting recommended a 6-page paper, increasing it to 8 pages as soon as possible.
- The disposition of the 1962 Summer Flight Fund was finalized, and each passenger will be happy to know that he will receive a refund.
- Recognition is to be made to the conveners of the Scandinavian Program over Station C.K.U.A. on Sunday, October 28. This is the Program's Tenth Anniversary celebration, featuring Eric Pedersen, Mrs. Chris Nordin and Professor Herman Tennesen. John Holgersen is assisting in the production of this special program.
- The response to the annual SUMMER CHARTERED FLIGHT for 1963 has been excellent, reports P. N. Christensen, Chairman of the 1963 Summer Flight Committee. For further information contact . . . Mr. P. N. Christensen, Chairman 1963 Summer Chartered Flight 10951 - 164 Street Edmonton. Phone HU 9-4806 or GR 7-3501

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GLIMPSES FROM SOLGLYT LODGE

Keep in mind our Lutefisk Dinner on November 17.

We are sorry to hear Mr. G. Algot had an accident while lending a hand to a plumber who was installing pipes in a new house. Mr. Algot tripped and fell hurting his hip, but not too seriously.

Mr. and Mrs. Algot plan to attend the 25 wedding anniversary of their son Clarence on October 25. Clarence resides at Derwent, Alberta and own a hardware and machinery store there.

Mrs. Nels Selland and her mother flew to California for a months visit with Mrs. Selland's sister.

Mr. and Mrs. John Enger visited with relatives at Compeer and Vetteran, Alberta, during the Thanksgiving weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Searl had a recent visitors, Mr. and Mrs. Iver Berg of Regina and Lake Alma, Saskatchewan, childhood friends of Mrs. Searl, whom she had not seen in 26 years.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Johnsrud and daughter Debbie spent summer holidays at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. They motored down, camping out at various places on the way, and made the return trip via Penticton, B.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Angelstad had Mr. Angelstad's brother, wife and four children from Saskatoon, as guests during the Thanksgiving weekend.

Mrs. Vest, mother of Henrietta Johnsrud, was a passenger on the Wardair June flight to Copenhagen, Denmark. She found many changes as it was her first trip back to the homeland in forty-six years.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sather and boys spent the Thanksgiving weekend visiting with Mrs. Sather's sister and family at Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnsrud had friends from Medicine Hat visiting with them during the long weekend of Thanksgiving.

NOTES FROM DANIA

HARD TIME DANCE
The Danish Society "DANIA" will hold a Hard Time Dance Friday, Nov. 16 in the South Side Legion. This means that everyone come in their old clothes. All those who dress up are subject to a fine. So go through what the moths have left in

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NOTES FROM VASA LODGE

Miss Geri Johnson graduated in Nursing from the University Hospital on October 19th. She is now on the staff of the hospital.

Mrs. Amanda Nelson has recently returned from visiting her sister, relatives and friends who live in various cities throughout Sweden.

Harold and Emma Kragg recently motored to Vancouver Island and the west coast on an enjoyable holiday trip.

Albert Winquist has returned from Sweden where he has been visiting his sisters and relatives in Malmo and Lund, and also friends in Denmark.

Kenneth and Bernice Pearson proudly announce the arrival of their son, Jay Todd, born on September 29th.

Mrs. Anna Johnson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Johnson, for a two month holiday in New Westminster, B.C.

Margaret Eliasson and Linnea Lodge were visitors at the Meeting Creek Lodge Meeting, Norden No. 513, on Tuesday, October 16th.

The Vasa Dance Team performed in the United Nations Program on October 22nd at the Jubilee Auditorium.

Congratulations to Lois and Rune Anderson on the birth of their son, Eric, on October 1st.

Mrs. Ida Oakes of Quesnel, B.C. is holidaying in Edmonton with her sister, Mrs. Emma Nelson.

Karen and Ron Runcer are proud to announce the arrival of their baby girl, Terri Lynn, on October 10th.

The Lodge will be holding a Whist

your rag bag, wear the worst, and come out for an evening of real hard time fun.

Remember to attend the Annual Bazaar on November 16th—8 p.m. at the Ansgar Lutheran Church, 9556-108 A Avenue. The ladies would like to see as many as possible turn out on such an evening; everything will be sold by auction.

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The Sick Committee reports that Marie Modin and Helen Riley have been ill in hospital.

BUFORD BY-LINES

Vasa Lodge Buford No. 577 held its regular monthly meeting last September 27, with Floyd Modin in the chair, and six officers absent. It was decided to have a Smorgasbord for all the members at our next meeting on October 25th to celebrate Thanksgiving. We hope to see all the members out that evening.

We are sorry to see Frank and Signe Carlson move to British Columbia, although we wish them luck in their new venture.

Peggy and Floyd Modin had friends from Port Alberni, Mr. and Mrs. Hjalmar Boquist, as guests recently. Mr. and Mrs. Boquist have been spending their vacation here in Alberta.

Junior Vasa (Framat) members held their meeting on September 2nd. With the help of some senior members, initiation took place, and new officers were installed for the coming year. Glen Pearson took the chair for the remainder of the meeting. The children have begun lessons in the Swedish language.

Nordic radiation experts, meeting in Oslo, have agreed on proposed joint counter-measures in case radioactive iodine fallout from A-tests should reach serious proportions. They also agreed on what amounts of radioactive iodine should form the basis for possible counter-measures.

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Norwegian Ships Urged Not To Call At Cuba

The Norwegian Shipowners Association this week urged its members, so far as possible, to take steps to assure that their ships will not be employed in transportation of goods to and from Cuba.

In a statement issued Sept. 13, the Shipowners Association categorically declared that no Norwegian merchant ships have carried arms, munitions or other military equipment to Cuba.

The statement observed that the very few Norwegian ships have called at Cuban ports during recent month carried only civilian cargoes.

In most cases, these calls were made in accordance with previously signed charter-parties. In those cases, decisions to direct ships to Cuba have consequently been made by charterers, with Norwegian shipowners having no say in the matter.

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Scandinavian Airlines System offers convenient jet flights from New York to Helsinki, the capital city of Finland. Besides, there are modern, comfortable steamers and car ferries, as well as road and rail connections all over the interior of Finland.

Helsinki, the easternmost of the Scandinavian capitals, situated at the same latitude as Oslo and Leningrad, is surrounded on three sides by a lovely archipelago. The first impression of Helsinki is one of youth and space. Finnish architecture and town planning, famous all over the world, are well represented both in the centre of the city and especially in the post-war suburbs that grow at such surprising speed.

About one hundred miles west of Helsinki lies Finland's former capital, Turku, with a castle and a cathedral dating from the thirteenth century.

From Turku a two-hour train journey takes the traveller to the "Finnish Silver Line" route running through the southern part of the westernmost of the Finnish lake-systems. Spacious and modern motor-vessels traffic this charming lake route daily in both directions between Hamenlinna in the south and Tampere in the north. Hamenlinna is the town where the composer Jean Sibelius was born and went to school. At the northern end of the route is Tampere, the second biggest Finnish city with 127,000 inhabitants. Northward from Tampere there is another very popular lake route, the "Poet's Way," which runs both through broad open waters and long narrow straits.

Two hours northward from Helsinki is the lively, young and fast-growing town of Lahti, a famous place for international ski meets. Lahti lies at the southern end of the Paijanne steamer route. White lake steamers ply daily on the glorious expanses of Lake Paijanne. At the northern end of this nearly 100-mile long lake there is Jyväskylä, also a young vigorously growing town.

Some distance east from Paijanne

begins Europe's largest lake district, the Saimaa lake system. Lake Saimaa itself covers an area of about 2,000 square miles. The Saimaa district is an amazing chain of lakes, a wonderful labyrinth of tens of thousands of islands and sounds. The tourist can make a cruise of a few hours, a day, three days or a week or hire a canoe for lovely excursions in this unique lakeland. On cruises lasting more than a day the boat stops at jetties many times a day to enable the tourists to swim, have a "sauna" bath, fish, participate in traditional dances at the quayside, or go inland to see some beauty spot.

Finland's northernmost province, Lapland, is the fascinating boreal region of the midnight sun, austere fells, wandering reindeer herds and the Lapps. Innumerable rivers flow across its wild expanses, abounding in fish and providing anglers with a wonderful opportunity to indulge in their favorite hobby.

From the middle of May until mid-July the sun never dips below the horizon in this region. The traveller may come across small children at play in farmyards in the small hours of the night; he may equally well find the entire household fast asleep at midday. Tourists, too, can be found, round the clock, painting or photographing, fishing, walking, camping all over Lapland.

The twentieth century with its machinery, motor roads and power plants is making progress in Lapland as elsewhere. Nevertheless, it still remains the promised land of anglers, nature lovers and campers whose imaginations have been caught by the magic of the great North.

The U.N. Demographic Year Book reveals that only Sweden has a higher life expectancy than Norway. A boy born in Norway can expect to live 71 years and a girl nearly 75 years. or Sweden the figures are, respectively, 72 and 75 years.

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GREETINGS FROM THE GARNETTS

A recent letter from Edna and Howard Garnett, R.R. 2, Grant Rd., Victoria, B.C., brings greetings to their many friends in Edmonton. The summer has been a busy one for the Garnetts. They have renovated their home indoors and out. They tell of their garden with the many flowers and fruit trees, cherries, apples and varied plums. Daily visitors to this haven are three little deer—no doubt enjoying the peace and quiet, and the smells of Edna's good cooking. Taking time off from the late summer's "preserving and jam-ing" the Garnetts visited Seattle and the World's Fair. We wish them continued good health and hope their future plans include a visit to Edmonton.

Ladies Hold Meet

The October ladies auxiliary of "Sons of Norway" meeting was held at the home of Mrs. A. Searl. It was decided that Mrs. R. Sivertsen would once again be head cook at the Lute-fisk Supper with Mrs. Lydia Naver-seth as dining room hostess.

Mrs. Hovde won the draw prize. An invitation is given to all ladies to come to the next meeting which will be held Friday, November 2 at Mrs. be held Friday, November 2 at the home of Mrs. M. McInnis, 10751-149 St.

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ICELANDIC NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Valdi Jackson and daughters Vanda and Joan, of Elfros, Sask., motored to Edmonton to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sumarlidason. Accompanying them were their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ingi Bjornson of Saskatoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henderson and their two children have taken up residence in our city. Coming from Vancouver Mr. Henderson is with Computer Sales and Service for I.B.M. Originally from Moose Jaw, Mr. Henderson is a graduate of the University of British Columbia and is the grandson of Mr. Ed Jackson, Elfros, Sask.

A recent visitor in Edmonton was Mr. H. L. Thorlaksson from Vancouver. Mr. Thorlaksson works as Comptroller for the Hundson Bay Co., covering the three western provinces. During his short stay in Edmonton Mr. Thorlaksson enjoyed an evening at our Auditorium and the Edmonton Symphony.

Mrs. Bertha Keys stopped over in Edmonton on her way to Fawcett, Alberta, where she will visit with her family. While here she saw old friends including Mrs. McNaughton,

McQueen Lodge. A long time resident of Alberta, Mrs. Keyes now makes her home on Vancouver Island.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Henrickson announce the engagement of their daughter Irene to Dr. George Drummond son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Drummond of Scarborough, Ontario. The wedding is to take place November 9, 1962, at Strathcona Baptist Church

Members of the Edmonton Icelandic Society extend their good wishes to the happy young couple. Irene reigned as Queen of the Icelandic Society at one time.

Mrs. T. Finnbotason of Amaranth, Manitoba, is visiting at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. G. Wagn and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris McNaughton and boys motored to Paynton, Sask., to spend Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. T. Waterhouse, Mrs. McNaughton's parents.

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Norway Has Strict Drug Control, Says Public Health Director

Dr. Karl Evang, Director General of Public Health, has assured Norwegians, concerned about the tragic thalidomide episode, that the nation's public control of proprietary patent medicines is among the strictest in the world. Based on the act of June 24, 1938, Norwegian drug control arrangements are in large measure similar to those in Denmark and Sweden. By providing a triple control (over price and advertising, as well as quality,) they are substantially from the system of English-speaking countries and central Europe. In most countries, the quality of drugs is subject to public control. In Norway, however, drugs are examined from all angles before they can be approved and registered, with the Public Health Director having the final

passing on the application. If it is rejected because the drug is considered medically unjustified or not filling a genuine need, the manufacturer or importer is advised of the reasons. On the average, nearly half of all applications are turned down. Approved drugs are registered for five years. At the end of this period, a new application must be submitted.

Testing new drugs for dangerous side effects presents a real problem for a small country, such as Norway. It is being done in simple cases, or where Norwegian scientific institutions have special knowledge. In the majority of cases, however, it is not feasible to conduct sufficiently exhaustive tests to determine the effects that a proprietary drug may have on humans.

WHY IT WORKS

Applications for registration of proprietary drugs and patent medicines must be submitted to Spesialitetskontrollen, the State Control Laboratory for Pharmaceutical Specimens. Here they are analyzed to determine whether the content and composition correspond with declarations. Moreover, they are examined for purity, stability, solubility and so forth. Spesialitetskontrollen also ascertains whether the same drug has previously been registered under a different name. Several years of clinical experience are required before a new drug is approved for registration. For foreign drugs, clinical testing in Norway is mandatory. Under Norwegian law, a proprietary or patent medicine must be medically justified. Secondly, it must "fill a genuine need." And it must not be too difficult to prepare in a pharmacy. Opinions on whether a new drug meets these requirements are obtained from staff experts.

Norwegian pharmaceutical firms, as well as importers of foreign drugs, are required to submit detailed information on manufacturing and overhead costs. On the basis of these data, the State Control Laboratory endeavors to estimate whether the proposed retail price of a new drug is in reasonable proportion to the cost. If a similar drug is sold under a different name, the cost data afford an opportunity for price comparison.

REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS

Spesialitetskontrollen makes the initial evaluation of advertising claims, price lists, catalogues, and samples, besides ascertaining whether the proposed name is already in use for other drugs. Aggressive advertising to promote drug sales is not permitted in Norway. There are no commercials on Norwegian radio and TV. Manufacturers are not allowed to send free samples to physicians until registration of the new drug has been approved.

When all requisite information has been collected, the application goes to the Control Laboratory's committee of experts, which is chaired by the Public Health Director. In many cases, the committee decides to contact an independent specialist for complementary information before



TWO MEMBERS of the Edmonton Branch of the U.N. Association arrange a table display of flags of the United Nations for use at the various U.N. Week events.

KING ON STATE VISIT

King Olav V of Norway arrived at the Port of Leith, Oct. 16, aboard the Royal yacht 'Norge,' to start a four-day state visit to Scotland, as guest of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. After disembarking, the King proceeded by train to Edinburgh where he was greeted by his Royal hosts. Accompanied by the Queen and the Duke, the King rode in carriage procession to Holyroodhouse Palace. In the evening, the Queen and the Duke gave a State Banquet at the Palace to honor the King.

The next day, the King received the Freedom of the City of Edinburgh and was entertained at luncheon by the City. Following a performance of "Rob Roy" at the Royal Lyceum Theatre, attended by King Olav, the Queen and the Duke, Her Majesty's Government gave a reception in Parliament Hall.

Today, Oct. 18, the Queen and King Olav, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, the Queen Mother, and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, are due to attend the Procession of

the Order of the Thistle and the Installation Service in Thistle Chapel. Following an excursion to Glasgow, King Olav will give a banquet on board the "Norge."

At the end of the official stay, Oct. 19, the King is scheduled to embark on a two-day program of informal visits to various places in Scotland, a highlight of which will be his installation as a Freeman of the Burgh of Dumfries.

Subsequently, the King will pay a private visit to London. Here, he is due to attend a reception for Norwegian Consular representatives in Britain, Oct. 29, and a banquet to mark the 75th anniversary of the Norwegian Club in London, Oct. 30.

A sales tax was introduced in Denmark on August 1, 1962. It is 9 per cent on all commodities except foods, fuel and rent and is levied on the wholesale trade. It is estimated to bring in 900 million kroner (some 130 million dollars) a year and is to be used partly to limit inflation and partly with a view to tax reform. In Denmark it is known as the "OMS." Foreign tourists will be exempt from the sales tax where retail purchases are referred to wholesalers for delivery direct to the foreign visitors.

A museum devoted to the Swedish glass industry opened recently in the city of Vaxjo, at the heart of the glass-blowing district in southern Sweden where some forty works are found. Fanfares from glass trumpets greeted King Gustaf Adolf and Queen Louise who were present for the ceremonies. The trumpets were made by two glass blowers from the Kosta glassworks, which dates back to 1742. Another famous firm in the same district is the much younger Orrefors. A permanent exhibit in the new museum traces the history of Swedish glass. Other highlights include a window made from 2,000 small pieces of colored glass, and a fountain-like creation, "collegium vitrum." The first display of a temporary nature is called "Swedish Glass—1962."

Ambassador Visits City

A banquet was held at the Caravan Motor Hotel on October 15, in honor of his Excellency the ambassador of Finland, Mr. Artturi Lehtinen and his wife Mrs. Lehtinen. Mr. S. W. Ross, the Finnish vice-consul, and Mrs. Ross, were also present on this occasion.

Wages — The German Industry Institute in a report lists the 1961 hourly wages of male industrial workers figured in marks as follows: Britain, 4.45—Sweden, 5.83—Denmark, 4.53—Norway, 4.78—Switzerland, 4.49—Austria, 2.55 — and West Germany, 4.75.

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NEW OFFICERS ELECTED!

The annual general meeting of Dania Gymnastic Club was held on September 25 in the Masonic Temple, but due to the fact that only six people showed up the meeting was postponed until October 9. In the meantime each member on the mailing list was sent a letter urging attendance. At the meeting on October 9 twenty-two people were present and the following were elected to the executive committee: Martin Jefferson, President; Nelson Cheyne Vice-President; Doris de Bruin, Assistant Secretary - Treasurer. Two substitute committee members, Mrs. Ingrid Nielsen and Mrs. Willemsen, and one auditor, Mr. Ian Finna, were elected. A resolution was passed moving that Mr. Borge Noesgaard continue on the committee as

past President. Mrs. Betty Pedersen, Secretary-Treasurer; Mr. Robin Smith; and Mr. Helge Welling each have one more year to serve on the committee.

The new Constitution and By-laws were adopted as mailed to members, with the following addition to Section 3: Between the words "shall" and "remain"—"if a resolution to that effect is passed at an annual general meeting." It was also decided to affiliate for a trial period of 1 year with the Danish Society "Dania," Freja Handball Club and Dania Soccer Club. This means that members of any one of these clubs can attend the other's social activities at membership cost, and a committee is to be set up to handle matters of joint interest to the clubs.

The attendance of our men's teams has been below expectation with 6 to 8 on the "Keep Fit" and 5 to 6 on the "advanced" team. It was therefore decided to amalgamate the teams, with Otto Henriksen as Instructor and the training time as for the Keep Fit team. The boys really show you men how to attend—not less than 25 boys every Wednesday. The girls are just as sharp with 25 every Monday. Both the ladies' groups are doing well, also, with an attendance of 40 to 50 ladies each Monday. Let's keep it up!

FINNISH SOCIETY NOTES

Thank you Mrs. Ristola for being hostess of the October sewing circle. The November sewing circle will be held on the 21st day of November at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Leino, 13555-124A Avenue.

Attention Ladies!

Anyone who has a Finnish national costume is kindly requested to wear it at the next dance which will be held on November 10. Thank you for your cooperation.

Mr. E. Salovaara has left Edmonton to reside in Finland. Mr. U. Leino is presently in Finland visiting friends and relatives.

Congratulations to Vic Kammonen who was the first Finnish student to win the bursary awarded by the Finnish Society.

This bursary is awarded to the high school student who plans to continue his education and has the highest average of those who apply. Congratulations again and the best of luck in your studies.

Let's show our appreciation for the fine efforts of the cast of "Kosinta," by being present at the November dance when "Kosinta" from "Seotseman Veljesta", will be presented.

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Don't Let National Game Die Asks Dania Soccer President

By Robert Jacobsen

The 1962 Soccer season is over, another year filled with exciting games has come to an end, and I wish to take this opportunity to thank all our fans who took time to attend our games. However, it is a shame to note how the Danish people in Edmonton seem to have forgotten the national game — Soccer. In comparison to other nations' teams, who draw hundreds of fans to each game, to cheer and urge their players on, the number of fans appearing at our games is pitifully few. What is the reason? Are the Danish people too busy, or is our performance on the football field not good enough? Then again, fans, perhaps our players only need more support and encouragement.

Dania Football Club is now seven years old. At that time, some of our players were not young men, as football players go. We need new blood every year to keep our club strong and active and I sincerely hope to see a large number of young men join our club during the coming season.

In my opinion this season's performance has not been what I expected from the beginning of the tournament; but a lot of bad luck was really most to blame in most cases, and of course we had the handicap from the beginning, to be without our original goalie, Jorgen Rasmussen, who was not able to attend our games. To obtain a new goalie in the matter of short time is not easy. But we must not complain anyway, we did recover, we were fortunate to obtain a young Dutch player, who was willing to try the important position as a goalie and he did his best. As a matter of fact, did quite well. But of course, experience is what counts.

We are looking forward to a new season with some promising young boys. Maybe some new immigrants will be available by the time we are ready to start in the spring.

We are sorry to announce that two of our old players, Paul Andersen and Leif Jensen won't be able to be with us next season. It is a great loss, and we are sorry to have to say goodbye to those nice boys, who have done a great job for DANIA Soccer Club in the past. We hope to see them back sometime in the future.

I admit lack of time is preventing lots of good Soccer players from joining our club and I am sorry to see how difficult it is every year to obtain new players. If you have a young boy, please bring him to us, you will do him and us a big favor, as Soccer is the greatest game in the world. There are still a few that would be very sorry to see our Danish National Sport die out in Edmonton. We will keep fighting to the bitter end, so please help to support us, either actively or passively. Come and cheer our boys on. We will keep you informed in this paper when the season starts.

Each year, it has been our custom to end the season with a good old-fashioned celebration. This year it will take place on Oct. 12, at the South Side Legion, commencing at 7 p.m. with a big banquet and dance. The banquet will consist of

the biggest and best Smorgasbord you have seen yet, with schnapps and beer. Tickets will be sold in advance and should be purchased before Oct. 7. The price is only \$3 per person. Come and bring your friends. You won't be sorry you did. Refreshments will be available throughout the evening. Just phone Robert Jacobsen at GA 2-0706 or see me at 10731 - 103 Street, Edmonton. See the ad in this paper.

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Shortage Of Spares

"Bikuben's" bowling ladies got off to a good start. Although most members are beginners, there were some good averages. Else Gormsen is top scorer with 141, and Ellen Clausen's team had an average of 1597.

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